

RESOLUTION No. 12-055

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CITY OF WICHITA PERTAINING TO STATE
TRANSPORTATION FUNDING**

WHEREAS, The Wichita City Council is in full support of the Governor's and Legislature's common goal of improving the economy of our state and creating more jobs for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas House of Representatives has proposed a \$350 million diversion of state transportation funding to finance the tax reform package in House Bill 2747; and

WHEREAS, several Wichita-area transportation projects, including critical improvements on US54 on the west and east sides of Wichita, would be delayed by the diversion of transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wichita has used local tax revenue to fund more than \$400 million of improvements on Kellogg over the past 25 years without state assistance; and

WHEREAS, a national site selection study ranks highway accessibility as the top criterion for businesses as they evaluate relocation opportunities; and

WHEREAS, diversion of state transportation funds would result in project delays, cost increases and the loss of economic development locally and statewide;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WICHITA THAT;

The Kansas House of Representatives be encouraged to reject the proposed diversion of transportation funding as it continues its search for meaningful tax reform.

ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WICHITA, this date March 6th, 2012.

Carl Brewer, Mayor

Attest:

Karen Sublett, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Gary E. Rebenstorf
Director of Law and City Attorney